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For: REMOVABLE HARD DISK DRIVE
(HDD) THAT IS HOT-PLUG COMPATIBLE
WITH MULTIPLE EXTERNAL POWER
SUPPLY VOLTAGES

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